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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, DR

SUBJECT: GODR RESTRICTS FUEL SALES TO FOREIGN SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT

1. IN SURPRISE MOVE MARCH 12 GODR ANNOUNCED FUEL RATIONING POLICY APPLICABLE TO ALL FOREIGN SHIPS OR AIRCRAFT, CIVIL OR MILITARY. MEASURES IN DECREE 4333 LIMIT FUEL SALES TO ONE-HALF THE TANK CAPACITY OF FOREIGN SHIPS OR AIRCRAFT SEEKING PURCHASE. DECREE APPEARS TO APPLY TO ALL CARRIERS, SCHEDULED OR UNSCHEDULED.
2. GODR JUSTIFYING POLICY ON GROUNDS THAT MID-EAST OIL PRODUCER BOYCOTT HAS REDUCED FUEL SUPPLIES AND VENEZUELAN PRICING POLICIES HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED FUEL COSTS. GODR SAYS MEASURE WILL SAVE FUEL IN THESE TIMES OF ENERGY CRISIS.
3. PRESIDENT HAS APPOINTED SECRETARIES OF STATE FOR FINANCE,

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ARMED FORCES AND INDUSTRY/COMMERCE TO SEE THAT DECREE IS

IMPLIMENTED AND COMPLIED WITH. NO MECHANISM HAS BEEN MENTIONED TO ALLOW FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE RATIONING POLICY.

4. COMMENT: LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR WHO HANDLES ALMOST ALL SALES OF FUEL FOR SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT SAYS THAT RATIONING POLICY WAS COMPLETE SURPRISE TO HIM. HE HAS INITIATED A STUDY TO DETERMINE EFFECTS POLICY LIKELY TO HAVE ON FOREIGN TRANSPORTATION OPERATING TO AND FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. INITIAL REACTION IS THAT ONLY SMALL, PISTON DRIVEN AIRCRAFT OPERATING OVER DISTANCES REQUIRING FULL FUEL LOADS WILL BE EFFECTED. MOST SHIP AND AIRCRAFT TRAFFIC ARRIVING IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC REQUIRE LESS THAN ONE-HALF THEIR TANK CAPACITIES FOR REFUELING.  
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